

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 523

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of John "Johnny" Edward Sweat of Cape Coral, Florida.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of John "Johnny" Edward Sweat; and

WHEREAS, born on November 6, 1939, to Noah Leonard and Ludie King Sweat, Johnny Sweat was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, Mr. Sweat retired from the United States Navy after serving his last duty station on the submarine USS *Tullibee* as Chief of the Boat; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Sweat was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sweat is survived by his loving wife of fifty-eight years, Virginia Bishop Sweat; two daughters, Linda Sweat and Deborah (Joe) Pratt; two sons, John Edward (Carol) Sweat, Jr., and James Leonard Sweat; six grandchildren, Lyndsay Pratt, Alexandra Pratt, Noah Sweat, Elizabeth Sweat, Nathaniel Sweat, and Emily Rose Sweat; and four sisters, Nancy Tull, Mary McCullar, Judy Tacker, and Brenda Robbins; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Sweat leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of John "Johnny" Edward Sweat, reflecting fondly

upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Sweat.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.